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Upcoming Dates:

Nov. 10: Faculty Meeting
8:30 a.m., Education Building 162

November: ANS Operation Christmas Child Project

Nov. 13: Sigma Theta Tau Honor Society Induction
6:30 p.m., Burney Center

Nov. 26-30: Thanksgiving Holiday

Dec. 1: ANS Meeting
Noon, Modular 1021

Dec. 3: Last day of Fall Classes

Dec. 4: Reading Day

Dec. 5-12: Final Exams

Dec. 8: Faculty Meeting
8:30 a.m., Azalea Coast Room, Fisher Center

Dec. 12: Fall Semester Ends

Dec. 12: SON Recognition/Awards Ceremony and Reception
2:30 - 5:30 p.m., Kenan Auditorium

Dec. 12: Commencement
5:30 - 7 p.m., Trask Coliseum

Greetings from the Dean

October 23, 2008: Groundbreaking for our School of Nursing



Here is what our Interim Dean Susan Pierce had to say:

Good afternoon. What a wonderful day for nursing and for this University!

Nursing is both an art and a science.

As an art, nurses care. They care for and about the person experiencing any health problem.

As an art, nurses assist people to gain, maintain or recover their health.

As an art, nurses focus not only on the health problem itself, but principally on the person experiencing the health problem.

As a science, nurses use evidence to develop and evaluate their interventions.

As scientists, nurses research not only the impact of health problems, but also how to best promote the highest possible quality of living, despite whatever problems exist.

It is easy to see how nursing is unique among the health care professions.

The responsibility of this University is to preserve that uniqueness while preparing the best possible nurses, facilitating the best possible nursing research, and applying the latest nursing knowledge to improve the health of the populations we serve.

This new facility, with its state of the art classroom, simulation labs and research capabilities will allow this University to prepare nurses to meet the 21st century health care needs of our region. The resources the building will provide will promote student and faculty success. Moreover, new facilities assure that nursing will be able to work side-by-side not only with our current partners in the field of biopharmaceutical research, but also with our new partners in both social work and health and applied human sciences.

On behalf of our student, staff, faculty and alumni, my deepest thanks to **Virginia Adams**, our friends and our supporter who made this groundbreaking possible.

Groundbreaking for the School of Nursing Building



Photography courtesy of **Dr. Bettie Glenn**, Associate Dean

Pictured left to right: Charlie Maimone, Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs; Sarah Price (May '09); Susan Pierce, Interim Dean; Terry Coffey, Chairman of UNCW Board of Trustees; Rosemary DePaulo, UNCW Chancellor; Senator Julie Boseman; Lee Garrett, Board of Trustee member; Virginia Adams, former Dean; and Representative Sandra Spaulding-Hughes.

CCNE Accreditation: Preliminary Report Indicates Positive Findings; Standards I-IV Met for all Programs

Below is a brief compilation provided by the CCNE Accreditation Team to the faculty on Oct. 1:

Standard I – Mission & Governance: The School of Nursing is positioned to be leaders in the new college of Health and Human Science.

Standard II - Program Quality: Deliberate increase in resources to support the school of nursing programs is very evident; commendable use of information technology and distance learning; UNCW is very fortunate to have the interim Dean, **Susan Pierce**; posters displaying faculty and student scholarship in Friday Annex exemplify the commitment to the mission of the school and university.

Standard III - Curriculum: All programs are well organized.

Standard IV – Program Effectiveness: New endowed chair positions are a positive sign for this program; mentoring of junior faculty is also a notable accomplishment of this program; the evaluation section of the report displays impeccable work and is a model for university accreditation.

Notable Achievements

Susan Roberts, assistant professor in the clinical research program, accomplished the following during the summer:

Poster presentation on “Lopinavir/ritonavir in Pregnancy” at the XVII International World AIDS Conference (AIDS 2008), Mexico City, Mexico, Aug. 3-8.

Oral presentation on the “Impact of Prenatal Testing on Birth Defect Prevalence in Pregnancy Exposure Registries” at the 24th International Conference on Pharmacoepidemiology & Therapeutic Risk Management, Copenhagen, Denmark, Aug 17-20.

Poster presentation on Lessons Learned in Conducting Pregnancy Exposure Registries at the 48th Annual Teratology Society Meeting, Monterey, CA, June 20.

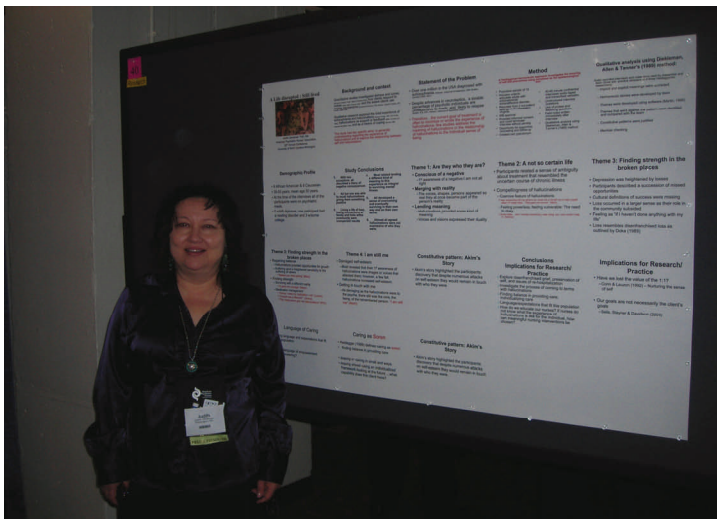
Kathleen Ennen and **Melissa Aselage** submitted an abstract on “Use of the Comprehensive Geriatric Assessment in Baccalaureate Nursing Education” for the UNCW Health and Related Sciences Conference scheduled for Nov. 7.

Melissa Aselage attended the AANC/GNEC in St. Louis on Oct. 14-15 as faculty facilities. She led breakout sessions for faculty around the country for ways to integrate gerontological content throughout baccalaureate curriculum. She has developed a web link on the School of Nursing website to promote gerontological nursing and offers to other interested faculty a template to create a web link for other nursing specialties.

Melissa Aselage will present the Comprehensive Geriatric Assessment assignment at the AACN Baccalaureate Education Conference in San Antonio, Texas. The presentation will demonstrate how faculty can use the “Try This” Series and “How to Try This” videos into coursework to promote best practice in care of the older adult. **Debbie Pollard** will also attend.

Clora Joan Wilborn, Class of '96, has recently been appointed Director of Clinical Research at InMotion, a non-profit organization in Memphis, Tenn. She will begin her master's degree studies in clinical research at Duke University in the spring.

Patti Schulz has completed 72 hours of organized instruction in Aviation Ground School for Pilots within the Cape Fear Community College program.



Pictured above: **Judy Jarosinski** presented a poster presentation on her research conducted on hallucinations.

Faculty Presentations at the 22nd Annual Psychiatric Nursing Association Conference Oct. 15-16, Minneapolis, Minn.



Pictured right: **Brandy Mechling** presented her research on “Young Careers: The impact for children and adolescents caring for a parent with mental illness”



Students **Rachel Ford** (far left) and **Kristin George** (right) explore means in which to measure blood pressure as well as other skills in their Nsg 112 course, Survey of Professional Nursing. Also pictured at left is simulation lab coordinator and clinical instructor **Anne Zabriskie**.

The course, offered to potential applicants to the SON, provides an overview of nursing as a profession: the scope of practice, various practice settings and the role of the nurse in health care today.

Special appreciation goes to **Debbie Ezzell** and **Paula Reid** for assisting with Camp Special Time in October! Their assistance with this worthwhile project was appreciated by the pediatric team.



Seahawks and Seniors

Nsg 334 (Gerontology-End of Life Care) students cheer on the senior cheerleaders at the Oct. 2 event on campus.

Please submit calendar events, notable achievements, community events, research/scholarship activities and questions for faculty/staff to our editorial and production staff: Sandy O'Donnell (odonnells@uncw.edu) or Debra Simpson (simpsond@uncw.edu).

Lingering Thoughts

"A Nurse will always give us hope, an angel with a stethoscope."

Carrie Latet

"When you're a nurse you know that every day you will touch a life or a life will touch yours."

Anonymous